

Vision Group C-Education and Personnel
Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2000 2-7pm
Camp Nimitz/Naval Training Center
San Diego, CA

I. Introduction

- A. Members Present: Pat Kramm, Debbie Becker, Nancy Steiner, Debi Moffat, Lori Harbour, Gloria Huerta, Sean Trask, Connie Telford.
- B. Non-Members Present: Miranda Swanson, Rosalyn Cope, Members of the EMT-I Task Force.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- A. Meeting minutes were not approved, as they were unavailable at the time of the meeting. The meeting minutes for both the August 30th and May 31st meetings will both be available at a later date.

III. Business Items

Purpose of the Meeting with the EMT-I Task Force

- A. Summary: The EMT-I Task Force is working on several of the same issues that have been discussed in the Education Committee. The group wanted to touch base with the task force to converse on these issues.

Review of the EMS Careers Brochures

- A. Summary: The brochures were passed around for review.
 - There was some explanation and discussion of the brochures.
 - Final drafts are to be brought to the next meeting.
 - Miranda is to email the Vision logo to the list serve.

Review of the Scope of Practice and Optional/Trial Studies

- A. Summary: The purpose statement to explain the flow charts will be brought to the next meeting.
 - The document will then be presented to EMDAC for discussion and possible revision.
 - The option of “out of hospital” will be explored in the statute.
 - Suggested changes will be emailed to the list serve.
 - The group needs to discuss how to standardize the training for the optional/trial studies.

Comparisons of the National Curriculums

- A. Summary: The EMT-I Task Force has reviewed the EMT-Basic curriculum.
 - A letter will be submitted to the Education Committee, to recommend the adoption of the DOT EMT-Basic National Curriculum as a foundation for California’s EMT-I training curriculum.
 - The task force will be discussing in future meetings, the possibility of adding additional training modules as necessary to areas of the curriculum

- that may need expansion.
- There was a suggestion to discuss broad concepts of licensure at the conference.
- The Paramedic and Intermediate are still under review. More information will be presented at the next meeting.
- Gloria distributed a hand out on Public Safety and First Aid and First Responder Training.
- There will be discussion at the conference of moving EMT-II to intermediate.
- Mercia will email the definitions list to Sean Trask.

Standard Certification Exams

- A. Summary: The EMT-I task Force is reviewing the tests that are available for the EMT-I Certification Testing. They will report back on the information.
 - It was agreed that there should be standardized testing for all the levels of pre-hospital personnel.
 - The question of whether or not this testing should include the Public Safety and First Responders, is an unresolved issue to be presented at the conference.

Standardized Certification Process

- A. Summary: It was agreed that the certification process for EMT-I and EMT-II should be standardized throughout the state.
 - There is a question of whether this should include the Public Safety and First Responders as well.
 - The EMT-I Task Force is to discuss certification and recertification issues and will report back to the committee.

IV. Documents to Present at the Conference

- A. Brochures
- B. Flow chart document for the Optional Scope and Trial Studies
- C. Definition document
- D. Comparisons of national curriculums

V. Unresolved Issues to be Presented

- A. Expand the roles of the pre-hospital practitioners (all levels) based on community needs.
 - Emergency vs. non-emergency
 - Out of hospital care
- B. Personnel issues to include
 - Standardized training
 - Terminology for pre-hospital personnel – Basic, Intermediate, Paramedic
 - Standardize certification testing, Registry Test vs. a State Test
 - Standardize the certification/recertification process

- State vs. LEMSAs
- Standard tool for the LEMSAs to use
- Levels of pre-hospital personnel
- Stay the same (EMT-I, EMT-II, EMT-P) or (Basic, Intermediate, Paramedic)
- Different option (Basic, Advanced Basic, Paramedic)

VI. Next Meeting

- October 10, 2000, in Castro Valley.